

Criteria for Therapist Category Clinician of the Year Award:

1. All criteria should reflect upon the nominee's clinical accomplishments.
2. Narrative write-up must include the following:
 - Description of the nominee's significant contribution to clinical healthcare
 - Leadership of the nominee in the work being cited (e.g., developing an innovative approach, initiating significant clinical care activities that have improved outcomes of care)
 - Involvement in health-related professional or community organizations or activities
3. The following criteria will be utilized by the selection committee for the Clinician of the Year award:

Contributions to the professional discipline; as demonstrated by presentations to peers and others, development and implementation of clinical services, displaying skills and abilities deemed exceptional in assisting others to maximize their outcomes/potential, offices held in professional organizations.

Outstanding accomplishments; as demonstrated by description of outcomes from clinical program interventions; recognition; letters of appreciation, awards, or developing and/or improving delivery of therapy related services and patient care.

Career attainment and value to USPHS; as evidenced by such things as professional credentials, specialist qualifications and demonstrated clinical expertise, etc...

Outstanding leadership; as evidenced by the development of programs or organizational involvement that streamline and /or improve the effectiveness of therapeutic rehabilitation/outcomes.

Instructions for completing the Therapist Category Clinician of the Year Award includes the following;

NAME: Individual's full name as it should appear on the award

PHS RANK: Designated Rank; LTJG, LT, LCDR, CDR, CAPT

PROFESSIONAL

DISCIPLINE: Audiology, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
Speech/Language Pathology

NOMINATION

CRITERIA: The nominee must be a professional in one of the four disciplines within the Therapist Category of the United States Public Health Service. The criteria are listed above.

PERIOD

COVERED: Dates of service in the Commissioned Corps or Civil Service must be specified.

NARRATIVE: The narrative must include subject matter relevant to the three criteria as described above over the course of the nominee's assigned duty station(s) and/or billet(s). The narrative must be clearly written, avoiding technical jargon and abbreviations, unless clarifying statements are used. The narrative must include specific examples regarding the three primary criteria as cited above. The narrative must not exceed two single-spaced typed pages.

NOMINATION/

ENDORSEMENTS: The nominator must have at least one endorsement signature certifying that the nomination is a true reflection of the individual's work. An endorsement can be from anyone familiar with the individual's contributions.